FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT ON BILL NO. $\it H.3022$

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TO: The Honorable Robert Harrell, Chairman, House Ways and Means Committee

FROM: Office of State Budget, Budget and Control Board

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SUBJECT: Sunset Commission and Sunset Review

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES:

A Cost to the General Fund (See Below)

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON FEDERAL & OTHER FUND EXPENDITURES:

\$0 (No additional expenditures or savings are expected)

BILL SUMMARY:

This Bill amends Title 1, of the Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, by adding Chapter 24, which establishes the South Carolina Sunset Commission. The Bill also creates a Sunset Division within the Legislative Audit Council, along with procedures by which reviews of programs within certain agencies and departments of state government will be evaluated. These reviews will determine whether these departments and or programs should be continued, modified or terminated.

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT:

The Senate and the House of Representatives

The Senate and the House indicate there will be a minimal fiscal impact on the General Fund of the State, which can be absorbed by the agencies at their respective levels of funding. The maximum cost for each member of the Commission will be approximately \$170 per meeting for a total cost per meeting of \$2,040.

The Governor's Office

The Office indicates that there will be a minimal fiscal impact on the General Fund of the State, which can be absorbed by the agency at its current level of funding. The maximum cost for each member of the Commission will be approximately \$125 per meeting for a total cost per meeting of \$250.

Legislative Audit Council

The Council indicates there will be a fiscal impact to the General Fund of the State of approximately \$585,570 per year. The agency would need to add 10.00 additional FTE's with a Personal Service/Employer Contribution of \$568,320 and other operating cost of \$17,250.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT IMPACT:

None.

SPECIAL NOTES:

None.

Approved by:

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